Dear Miss Mislap:

Dr. B. A. D. Stocker and I have been working recently on a Salmonella strain received from Kauffmann as culture 248 (0 19), an O form obtained from monophasic (b) S. paratyphi B.

Our studies with this strain would indicate that we are dealing with a new sort of Salmonella type, perhaps showing b—i phase variation at a very low frequency.

Dr. Kauffmann has informed us that this culture was obtained from a strain designated "Hasenbühl" received from you in 1941. He regrets that the original motile cultureshas been lost, but that it was recorded as a monophasic paratyphi B, d-tartrate-negative. He suggested that I might appeal to you for further information.

May I ask whether the strain Hasenbuil has been preserved in your laboratory? In view of the possible novelty of the serological behavior of the strain, it may be important to record the clinical data also. I would be greatly indebted to you for any assistance that you would be able to provide, either in recovering the original hasenbunk strain, or further information as to its original occurrence.

Yours very sincerely.

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